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TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY

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E.O11652: NA

TAGS: BEXP, SA

SUBJECT: PRODUCT OPPORTUNITY - ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY

REF.: A) STATE 145854 (75); B) JIDDA 4697 (75)

1. STRATEGIC INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT SALES (SIPS) GROUP/USDOC  
HAS BEEN FOLLOWING THIS PROJECT  
SINCE MID-1975 (SEE REF. (A)). IT IS NOW OUR UNDERSTAND-  
ING SUBJECT PROJECT MAY BE IN ABEYANCE OR THAT RESPONSIBI-  
LITY BEING ASSUMED BY KING ABDUL AZIZ UNIVERSITY (AS A YEAR  
AGO PROJECT WAS UNDER THE JOINT RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MUS-  
LIM LEAGUE SECRETARIAT IN MECCA AND THE SAG MINISTRY OF  
PILGRIMAGE AND WAQF). PLEASE VERIFY.

2. HAVE FUNDS BEEN APPROPRIATED FOR PROJECT? ANY  
INFORMATION EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE TO DETERMINE CURRENT  
STATUS OF THIS PROJECT WILL BE APPRECIATED. ROBINSON

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